

IC 33-33-92

Chapter 92. Whitley County

IC 33-33-92-1

Judicial circuit

Sec. 1. Whitley County constitutes the eighty-second judicial circuit.

As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.12.

IC 33-33-92-2

Establishment of standard superior court

Sec. 2. (a) There is established a court of record to be known as the Whitley superior court.

(b) The Whitley superior court is a standard superior court as described in IC 33-29-1.

(c) Whitley County comprises the judicial district of the court.

As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.12.

IC 33-33-92-3

Judge; location of court sessions

Sec. 3. The Whitley superior court has one (1) judge who shall hold sessions in:

(1) the Whitley County courthouse in Columbia City; or

(2) other places in the county that the board of county commissioners of Whitley County may provide.

As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.12.

IC 33-33-92-4

Small claims referee

Sec. 4. (a) If the Whitley county executive establishes the position of small claims referee to serve the Whitley superior court, the judge of the Whitley superior court may appoint a part-time small claims referee under IC 33-29-3 to assist the court in the exercise of its small claims jurisdiction.

(b) The small claims referee is entitled to reasonable compensation not exceeding twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) as recommended by the judge of the Whitley superior court to be paid by the county after the compensation is approved by the county fiscal body. The state shall pay fifty percent (50%) of the salary set under this subsection and the county shall pay the remainder of the salary.

(c) The Whitley County executive shall provide and maintain a suitable courtroom and facilities for the use of the small claims referee, including furniture and equipment, as necessary.

(d) The Whitley superior court shall employ administrative staff necessary to support the functions of the small claims referee.

(e) The county fiscal body shall appropriate sufficient funds for the provision of staff and facilities required under this section.

As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.12.

IC 33-33-92-5

Jurisdiction

Sec. 5. The Whitley superior court has the same jurisdiction as the Whitley circuit court, except that the circuit court has juvenile jurisdiction.

As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.12.

IC 33-33-92-6**Small claims and misdemeanor division**

Sec. 6. The Whitley superior court has a standard small claims and misdemeanor division.

As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.12.